

**THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TEXARKANA DIVISION**

IN RE:

JOEY KINNEY	§	CASE NO. 17-50223-R
XXX-XX-0703	§	
89 COUNTY ROAD 4685	§	CHAPTER 13
ATLANTA, TX 75551	§	
	§	
MELISSA KINNEY	§	
XXX-XX-2297	§	
	§	
DEBTORS	§	

**ORDER DENYING CONFIRMATION OF CHAPTER 13 PLAN AND DISMISSING CHAPTER 13 CASE WITH PREJUDICE TO
REFILING FOR 120 DAYS WITH RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

ON THIS DATE, the Court considered the confirmation of the Chapter 13 Plan proposed by the Debtors in the above captioned case. For the reasons set forth below, confirmation of the Chapter 13 Plan should be denied.

The Court finds that the following has occurred:

The Court finds that the Debtors failed to confirm the Chapter 13 Plan within the time period designated by the Court. The failure of the Debtors to confirm a Chapter 13 Plan in this case after two confirmation hearings having been set constitutes an unreasonable delay by the Debtors that is prejudicial to creditors. Such failure constitutes just cause for the dismissal of this case with prejudice to refiling pursuant to 11 USC §349(a) and §1307(c).

In addition, the Court recognizes that a Motion for Administrative Expenses, or an equivalent thereof, filed by the Debtors' attorney is currently pending before the Court or may be filed within the next fourteen (14) days. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority expressed in *Querner v. Querner (In re Querner)*, 7 F.3d 1199 (5th Cir. 1993), the Court finds and concludes that just cause exists for the entry of the following order.

Further, the Court recognizes pursuant to Rule 9023 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the {Debtor/s} may seek relief from the Court's dismissal of this case with prejudice by filing within the next fourteen (14) days a Motion to Amend to remove the "with prejudice" language from the Order Denying Confirmation and Dismissing Chapter 13 Case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that confirmation of the Chapter 13 Plan proposed by the Debtors is DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above-referenced Chapter 13 case is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE to the re-filing of any petition under Title 11, United States Bankruptcy Code, by the above-referenced Debtors for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the entry of this order, provided, however, that this case shall remain open and the Court shall retain jurisdiction to entertain and to determine: (1) all requests for relief by any party in interest to amend the "with prejudice" language so long as any such request is filed before the expiration of fourteen (14) days after the entry of this order; and (2) the compensation is filed before the expiration of fourteen (14) days after the entry of this order pertaining thereto which may be appropriate under the circumstances.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any wage withholding orders previously entered in this case are hereby terminated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to 11 USC §1326(a)(2):

1. the pre-confirmation adequate protection payments which have been previously tendered by the Debtors to the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the benefit of creditor(s) holding an allowed claim secured by personal property retained by the Debtors as set forth in the Debtors' most recent filed Chapter 13 plan as of the date of this Order shall be forwarded by the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee to the applicable secured creditor(s) that hold a filed and allowed claim as of the date of this Order in the monthly amount specified by the Debtors in the most recently-proposed Chapter 13 plan as of the date of this Order;
2. funds thereafter remaining on deposit with the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee, if any, shall first be applied to the payment of all approved administrative expenses, to be distributed on an equivalent basis until such time as a claim has been paid in full, unless a different distribution priority has been authorized under any prior order of the Court; and
3. following the full satisfaction of all allowed administrative expenses, if applicable, any funds remaining in the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee's possession shall be distributed to the Debtors.

Signed on 5/9/2018

Brenda T. Rhoades SR
HONORABLE BRENDA T. RHOADES,
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Rodney McDaniel
RODNEY MCDANIEL
Attorney for Debtors

REASONS FOR DENIAL:

Debtor/Debtors' counsel did not appear at hearing
 Payment delinquency
 Other: _____